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(54) Title: PLASMIN-RESISTANT STREPTOKINASE (57) Abstract The invention features modified streptokinase (SK) molecules which are resistant to plasmin cleavage including a recombinant fusion protein in which the amino terminus of SK was blocked with a peptide, a recombinant fusion protein in which an amino-terminal deleted SK was blocked with a peptide, and a mutated SK in which plasmin-cleavage sites were altered to render those sites resistant to enzymatic cleavage.		

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PLASMIN-RESISTANT STREPTOKINASEBackground of the Invention

Streptokinase (SK), isolated from Group C streptococcus, is used as a plasminogen activator to accelerate the lysis of the coronary thrombi that cause heart attacks. However, SK is by itself inert and must combine with human plasminogen to form a catalytically-active SK-plasminogen activator complex (SK-PAC) which cleaves substrate plasminogen molecules. Studies of proteolytic fragments of SK and recombinant truncation mutants have defined regions of SK which are important for binding interactions with plasminogen in the construction of the activator complex. Through undefined molecular interactions, an active site appears in the plasminogen moiety of the SK-PAC (Buck et al., 1968, J. Biol. Chem. 246:209-246). The SK-PAC then generates the active enzyme plasmin by clipping substrate plasminogen molecules at the Arg560-Val bond (Robbins et al., 1987, In Colman et al., Hemostasis and thrombosis: basic principles and clinical practice, 2nd ed., Lippincott, Philadelphia, pp. 341-357).

Almost immediately after forming an active SK-PAC, the SK moiety is clipped to smaller molecular weight forms (Siefring and Castellino, 1976, J. Biol. Chem. 251:3913-3920; Markus et al., 1976, J. Biol. Chem. 251:6495-6504). Cleavage of SK markedly reduces the catalytic activity of the activator complex (Markus et al., 1976, *supra*). Enzymatic studies of SK fragments isolated after reacting with plasminogen at lower temperatures suggests that SK activity declines with progressive cleavage (Markus et al., 1976, *supra*).

Inactivation of SK in plasma as a result of plasmin cleavage reduces the therapeutic effectiveness of this plasminogen activation.

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Summary of the Invention

The SK-derived compounds of the invention resist cleavage inactivation by plasmin, while retaining all or a substantial portion of the plasminogen-binding and catalytic activity of native SK. SK modified according to the invention is a more potent thrombolytic agent than native SK, and therefore, is a more useful therapeutic tool.

The invention features a compound containing (a) a plasminogen-binding fragment of SK and (b) a blocking group at the amino-terminus of the fragment. By the term "streptokinase" is meant an indirect plasminogen activator derived from streptococci. By the term "fragment" is meant a polypeptide containing less than or all of the native, full-length amino acid sequence of SK. SK may be recombinant or purified from streptococci, and the streptococci from which it is derived is preferably β -hemolytic. Alternatively, the streptokinase may be derived from an α -hemolytic streptococci. The streptococci from which SK is derived is preferably from Group C, e.g., *Streptococcus equisimilis*, however SK may also be derived from streptococci of Group A or Group G.

The compound is catalytically active and the rate of *in vitro* degradation in the presence of human plasminogen is at least two times slower than the rate of native, full-length mature SK protein derived from *Streptococcus equisimilis* (nSK), i.e., the time required from the addition of SK to plasminogen to the disappearance of the band on a Western blot corresponding to the uncleaved nSK. For example, the time required for the disappearance of uncleaved nSK is about 2 min., whereas the time for the disappearance of modified SK ranges from 7 min. to greater than 20 min. By the term "catalytically active" is meant it possesses the ability

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of SK to interact with plasminogen to form a SK-PAC capable of activating plasminogen to plasmin. By the term "degradation" is meant the process by which SK is reduced by plasmin cleavage into lower molecular weight fragments. The rate of degradation is measured by the disappearance of a full-length recombinant SK as detected by immunoblotting using anti-SK antibodies.

The compound preferably contains the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4. The blocking group of the compound may be a peptide or a non-peptide blocking group which is located at the amino-terminus of the SK fragment. For example, a blocking group may be introduced by glycosylation or myristolization. Preferably, the blocking group is least one heterologous amino acid; more preferably, the blocking group is a heterologous peptide of two or more amino acids; and most preferably, the blocking group is a fragment of or all of maltose binding protein (MBP). By the term "heterologous" is meant an addition or substitution of one or more amino acids that is different from that found at the corresponding site in nSK.

The invention also includes a DNA, e.g., a DNA vector, containing a coding sequence which encodes the polypeptide portion of the compound of the invention, and a method of dissolving blood clots in a mammal by administering an effective amount of the compound. An effective amount of the compound is an amount which is effective in dissolving at least one blood clot in a patient.

The invention also features a plasminogen-binding fragment of SK which is catalytically active and the rate of *in vitro* degradation of which is at least two times slower than the rate of nSK in the presence of human plasminogen. The fragment preferably comprises at least 95% of the amino acid sequence of nSK; more preferably,

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the fragment lacks one to five amino-terminal amino acids of nSK; more preferably, the fragment lacks one to ten amino-terminal amino acids; more preferably, the fragment lacks 1-24 amino acids. In a preferred embodiment, the
5 fragment consists of amino acids 14-414 of nSK (SEQ ID NO:4). A fragment consisting of amino acids 14-414 of nSK (SEQ ID NO:4) may also contain at least one or more mutations selected from the group consisting of K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A, K61A, K147A, K333, R232A, K257A, K298A,
10 K309A, R234A, R363A, K386A, K372A, R388A, R394A, and R401A.

The invention also includes an SK polypeptide which is catalytically active and the rate of *in vitro* degradation of which is at least two times slower
15 compared to the rate of nSK. By "polypeptide" is meant a chain of amino acids, regardless of length or post-translational modification (e.g., glycosylation or phosphorylation). Preferably, the polypeptide consists of the amino acid sequence of nSK in which at least one
20 potential plasmin cleavage site has been mutated to render it resistant to plasmin cleavage. More preferably, the polypeptide contains one or more mutations selected from the group consisting of R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A, K61A, K147A, K333, R232A, K257A,
25 K298A, K309A, R234A, R363A, K386A, K372A, R388A, R394A, and R401A. Most preferably, the fragment is rSK5mut (SEQ ID NO:17), which contains the mutations, R10A, R36A, R45A, R51A, and R59A or rSK6mut, which contains the mutations R10A, R36A, R45A, R51A, R59A, and K386A (SEQ ID
30 NO:18). The invention also includes a DNA containing a coding sequence encoding the SK polypeptide of the invention and a method of dissolving blood clots in a mammal by administering to the mammal an effective amount of the SK polypeptide of the invention.

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Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description of the preferred embodiments thereof, and from the claims.

Detailed Description

5 The drawings will first be described.

Drawings

Fig. 1 is a photograph of a Western blot showing purification of a fusion protein with maltose binding protein linked to the amino terminus nSK (rSK), a fusion
10 protein with MBP linked to the amino terminus of nSK in which the amino terminal 13 amino acids of nSK were deleted (rSK Δ 14), and rSK5mut.

Fig. 2 is a graph showing plasminogen activation by nSK, rSK, and rSK Δ 14.

15 Fig. 3 is a photograph of a Western blot showing plasmin cleavage of nSK.

Fig. 4 is a photograph of a Western blot showing plasmin cleavage of rSK (0-20 min.).

Fig. 5 is a photograph of a Western blot showing
20 plasmin cleavage of rSK Δ 14.

Fig. 6 is a photograph of a Western blot showing plasmin cleavage of rSK5mut.

Fig. 7 is a photograph of a Western blot showing comparative plasmin cleavage of rSK, rSK Δ 14, nSK, and
25 rSK5mut.

Modification of SK to render it resistant to degradation by plasmin

Within seconds, binding of SK to plasminogen to form SK-PAC, nSK is rapidly degraded at its amino
30 terminus by plasmin. Through the process of degradation, plasmin limits the thrombolytic efficacy of nSK. According to the invention, SK can be modified in three different ways to render it resistant to plasmin

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cleavage: (1) by blocking the amino terminus of nSK, e.g., with a heterologous peptide; (2) by deleting one or more amino terminal amino acids from nSK; and (3) by altering plasmin cleavage sites throughout nSK to render them resistant to plasmin cleavage. In one example, a recombinant fusion protein was made in which the amino terminus of nSK was tethered in peptide linkage to MBP (rSK). In another example, a recombinant fusion protein was made in which the MBP was linked to the amino terminus of nSK, the first 13 amino acids of which were deleted. In the third example, the nSK amino acid sequence was mutated at plasmin-cleavage sites to render those sites resistant to enzymatic cleavage, e.g., in the mutant rSK5mut, the K or R residue in five potential plasmin cleavage sites were changed to A residues. In each case, plasmin cleavage yielded catalytically active plasmin cleavage products, but the rate of degradation was markedly reduced compared to that of nSK. In addition to affecting the rate of degradation, mutation of plasmin cleavage sites also significantly decreases the K_m of amidolytic activity, which leads to greater catalytic efficiency.

Therapeutic Applications

The compounds of the invention can be used to lyse blood clots in a mammal. The compounds can be administered by any standard route including intraperitoneally, intramuscularly, subcutaneously, or intravenously. It is expected that the preferred route of administration will be intravenous. The compounds can be administered systemically to the bloodstream as well as locally within the blood vessel at the site of clot formation. Since the compounds of the invention are timed-release, they can be administered in a single dose rather than by continuous infusion.

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As is well known in the medical arts, dosages for any one patient depends on many factors, including the patients general health, sex, size, body surface area, age, as well as the particular compound to be administered, time and route of administration, and other drugs being administered concurrently. Dosages for the compounds of the invention will vary, but a preferred dosage for administration to human patients is approximately 20,000 units per kg of body weight (units of SK are defined in Bulletin. World. Health. Org., 1965, 33:235). Determination of correct dosage for a given application is well within the abilities of one of ordinary skill in the art of pharmacology. Optimal dosage may be adjusted according to the condition of the patient and response of the patient to therapy.

EXAMPLE 1: Modification of the amino terminus of streptokinase modulates the appearance of the active site in the SK-PAC

To examine the functional role of the amino terminus of SK in the SK-PAC, the amino terminus of SK was recombinantly modified by partial deletion of amino-terminal amino acids or by tethering of the amino terminus with a blocking group, e.g., a heterologous peptide. Functional activity of the modified SK was evaluated by measuring (1) the rate of plasminogen activation by SK-PAC, (2) the amidolytic activity of the SK-PAC, and (3) the plasmin-mediated degradation of SK in the SK-PAC.

Cloning, Expression and Purification of Streptokinase.

The SK gene (Malke et al., 1985, Gene 34:357-362) was cloned from *Streptococcus equisimilis* by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), sequenced (U.S. Biochemicals, Cleveland, Ohio; Sanger et al., 1977, Proc.

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Natl. Acad. Sci USA 74:5463) and subcloned into the pMAL vector for bacterial expression (New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA) using known methods, e.g., Reed et al., 1993, J. Immunol. 150:4407-4415; Reed et al., 1993, Circulation 88:Abstract I-615). The expressed SK gene formed a fusion protein with maltose binding protein at its amino terminus (rSK). Restriction digestion of the SK gene with *Hinc II* removed the nucleotides encoding the amino terminal 13 amino acids of SK to produce deletion mutant, rSK Δ 14. These recombinant SK fusion proteins were purified by affinity chromatography on an amylose resin (New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA) as described by the supplier. The purity of the recombinant SK fusion proteins was assessed by SDS-PAGE (Laemmli, 1970, Nature 227:680-685). For some experiments, the SK fusion proteins were cut with factor Xa (Maina et al., 1988, Gene 74:365) and the MBP portion of the fusion protein removed by affinity chromatography on an amylose resin.

After purification, the relative concentrations of the recombinant SKs were determined by comparative radioimmunoassay (RIA) using anti-SK monoclonal antibodies. Wells of a microtiter plate were coated with various concentrations of nSK (0, 2.5, 5, 10, 20, and 40 μ g/mL) or different dilutions of the recombinant SKs, rSK Δ 14 and rSK5mut. After nonspecific binding sites had been blocked with 1% bovine serum albumin, anti-SK monoclonal antibodies were added to each well in duplicate. After a 1-h incubation, the wells were washed and probed with 125 I goat anti-mouse antibody (Cappel Organon Teknika, Durham, NC) for 1 h. After another wash, the amount of bound antibody was determined by gamma counting. A standard curve relating antibody binding (cpm) to nSK concentration was derived and the concentration of each recombinant SK was determined by reference to the standard curve.

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Plasminogen Activation by recombinant SKs.

Studies of the time-related activity of different SKs were carried out by mixing Glu-plasminogen (333 nM; American Diagnostica, Greenwich, CT) in a quartz cuvette
5 with S2251 (0.5 mM; H-D-valyl-L-leucyl-L-lysine-p-nitroanilide dihydrochloride, Chromogenix, Sweden) at 21°C or 37°C and then adding purified nSK, rSK, or rSK Δ 14 (16.7 nM). Absorption at 405 nanometers was continuously monitored in a Hewlett-Packard diode array
10 spectrophotometer.

Active Site Titration

The development of an active site in the SK-PAC was monitored using standard methods. Plasminogen (8.5 μ g; Sigma, St. Louis, MO) was added to a quartz cuvette
15 containing 2 ml of filtered buffer (50 mM, 100 mM NaCl, pH 7.4) and 1 mM of the fluorogenic substrate 4-methylumbelliferyl p-guanidinobenzoate (Sigma, St. Louis, MO) thermostatically maintained at 25°C. The emission at 445 nanometers (excitation at 365 nanometers)
20 was continuously monitored in a Hitachi 2000 fluorescence spectrophotometer. After ~200 seconds of observation, rSK was added, and the reaction was recorded for a total of 2000 seconds.

Kinetic Assays of the SK-PAC

25 The amidase kinetic parameters of nSK, rSK and rSK Δ 14 were studied using a paranitroanilide substrate (S2251, H-D-valyl-L-leucyl-L-lysine-p-nitroanilide dihydrochloride, Chromogenix, Sweden) using known methods, e.g., Wohl R. et al., 1980., Biochim. et
30 Biophys. Acta 745:20-31). The recombinant SK proteins and Glu-plasminogen were mixed together and incubated for 5 min. (nSK and rSK) or 20 min (rSK Δ 14) at 37°C. The mixture was then transferred to a quartz cuvette

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containing assay buffer (50 mM Tris, 100 mM NaCl, pH 7.4) and various concentrations of S2251 (100-800 μ M) added. The cuvette was thermostatically regulated at 37°C. The change in absorbance was monitored at 404 nM for 10 min. at 37°C, and the data were transformed to Lineweaver-Burke plots to determine the K_m and V_{max} .

Studies of the degradation of SK by plasmin

The time-related proteolysis of nSK, rSK, rSK Δ 14, and rSK5mut was studied by immunoblotting. nSK (1 μ g) or recombinant SKs (2 μ g) were mixed together with purified human Glu-plasminogen (40 μ gs; American Diagnostica, 98% Glu-type plasminogen) for 0-20 min. The amount of human plasminogen present is typically in excess of the amount of SK. At various time points, an aliquot (5 μ l) was removed and plunged into boiling water to stop the reaction. The samples were then electrophoresed on 10% SDS-polyacrylamide under reducing conditions and electrophoretically transferred to polyvinylidene difluoride membranes (Millipore, Bedford, MA).

Nonspecific binding sites were blocked with 5% nonfat milk for 1 hr. The blots were incubated with pooled monoclonal antibodies specific for SK overnight at 4°C. The blots were washed and incubated for 1 hr. with 125 I-goat antimouse antibody (~1,000,000 cpm; Cappel Organon Teknika, Durham, NC) which had been labelled using the Iodogen labelling method known in the art. After washing, the blots were exposed to Kodak X-O-mat film (Rochester, NY) at -70°C.

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Amino-terminal modification of SK

SK was produced as a fusion protein with MBP at its amino terminus (rSK), the amino acid sequence of which is shown in Table 1. A mutant lacking the first 13 amino acids of SK was also produced as a fusion protein (rSK Δ 14), the amino acid sequence of which is shown in Table 2. The amino acid sequence of nSK is shown in Table 3, and the amino acid sequence of SK Δ 14 is shown in Table 4. The sequence of both rSK and rSK Δ 14 suggested that they could be cleaved at the fusion protein junction by factor Xa. The production of the rSK proteins in *E. coli* was induced by IPTG. Recombinant SK proteins were purified from bacterial lysates by affinity chromatography. As shown in Fig. 1, the proteins migrated at the predicted molecular size (rSK: 89 kDa, rSK Δ 14: 87 kDa).

Table 1: rSK

MKTEEGKLVIWINGDKGYNGLAEVGKKFEKDTGIKVTVEHPDKLEEKFPQVAATGDG
 PDIIIFWAHDRFGGYAQSGLLAEITPDKAFQDKLYPFTWDAVRYNGKLIAYPIAVEAL
 20 SLIYNKDLLPNPPKTWEEIPALDKELKAKGKSALMFNLQEPYFTWPLIAADGGYAFK
 YENGKYDIKDVGVNDAGAKAGLTFLVDLIKKNHNMADTDYSIAEAAFNKGETAMTIN
 GPWAWSNIDTSKVNYGVTVLPTFKGQPSKPFVGVLSAGINAASPNKELAKEFLENYL
 LTDEGLEAVNKDKPLGAVALKSYYYEELAKDPRIAATMENAQKGEIMPNIPOMSAFWY
 AVRTAVINAASGRQTVDEALKDAQTNSSSVPGRGSI EGRIAGPEWLLDRPSVNNSQL
 25 VVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGAMSHKLE
 KADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVTLPTQPV
 QEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQA KSVDVEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGLKDTKLLKTLAI
 GDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEFTYRVKN
 REQAYRINKKSGLN EENNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVDT
 30 NELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLD AFGIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDDT
 NRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIPDNPNDKNNSQ
 LVVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGAMSHKL
 EKADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVTLPTQP
 VQEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQA KSVDVEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGLKDTKLLKTLA

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IGDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEFTYRVK
 NREQAYRINKKSGLNNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVD
 TNELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAFGIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDD
 TNRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIDNPNDK

5 (SEQ ID NO:1)

Table 2: rSK_{Δ14}

MKTEEGKLVIWINGDKGYNGLAEVGKKFEKDTGIKVTVEHPDKLEEKFPQVAATGDG
 PDIIFWAHDRFGGYAQSGLLAEITPDKAFQDKLYPFTWDAVRYNGKLIAYPIAVEAL
 SLIYNKDLLPNPPKTWEEIPALDKELKAKGKSALMFNLQEPYFTWPLIAADGGYAFK
 10 YENGKYDIKDVGVNAGAKAGLTFLVDLIKKNHMNADTDYSIAEAAFNKGETAMTIN
 GPWAWSNIDTSKVNYGVTVLPTFKGQPSKPFVGVLSAGINAASPNKELAKEFLENYL
 LTDEGLEAVNKDKPLGAVALKSYYYEELAKDPRIAATMENAQKGEIMPNIPOMSAFWY
 AVRTAVINAASGRQTVDEALKDAQTNSSSVPGRGSIEGRNNSQLVSVAGTVEGTNQ
 DISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGAMSHKLEKADLLKAIQEQLI
 15 ANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVTLPTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRY
 KEKPIQNQAQSV DVEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGDKDTKLLKTLAIGDTITSQELLAQA
 QSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEFTYRVKNREQAYRINKKSGL
 NEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVDTNELLKSEQLLTAS
 ERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAFGIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDDTNRIITVYMGKRPE
 20 GENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIDNPNDKNNSQLVSVAGTVEGTN
 QDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGAMSHKLEKADLLKAIQEQL
 IANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVTLPTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRY
 YKEKPIQNQAQSV DVEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGDKDTKLLKTLAIGDTITSQELLAQA
 AQSI LKNHPGYTIYERDSSIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEFTYRVKNREQAYRINKKSG
 25 LNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVDTNELLKSEQLLTA
 SERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAFGIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDDTNRIITVYMGKRP
 EGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIDNPNDK (SEQ ID NO:2)

Table 3: nSK

IAGPEWLLDRPSVNNSQLVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLS
 30 PKSKPFATDSGAMSHKLEKADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNG
 KVYFADKDGSVTLPTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQAQSV DVEYTVQFTPLNP
 DDFRPGDKDTKLLKTLAIGDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIVTHDND
 IFRTILPMDQEFTYRVKNREQAYRINKKSGLNNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDP

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FDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVDTNELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAF
 GIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDDTNRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYL
 RYTGTPIPDNPNDKNNSQLVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGL
 SPKSKPFATDSGAMSHKLEKADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRN
 5 GKVFADKDGSVTLPTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQAQSVDEYTVQFTPLNP
 DDDFRPGLKDTKLLKTLAIGDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIIVTHDN
 DIFRTILPMDQEFTYRVKNREQAYRINKKSGLNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYD
 PFDRSHLKLFTIKYVDVDTNELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDA
 FGIMDYTLTGKVEDNHDDTNRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSY
 10 LRYTGTPIPDNPNDK (SEQ ID NO:3)

Table 4: SK Δ 14

NNSQLVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGAM
 SHKLEKADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVTL
 PTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQAQSVDEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGLKDTKLL
 15 KTLAIGDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEFT
 YRVKNREQAYRINKKSGLNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIKY
 VDVTNELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAFGIMDYTLTGKVED
 NHDDTNRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIPDNPND
 KNNSQLVSVAGTVEGTNQDISLKFFEIDLTSRPAHGGKTEQGLSPKSKPFATDSGA
 20 MSHKLEKADLLKAIQEQLIANVHSNDDYFEVIDFASDATITDRNGKVYFADKDGSVT
 LPTQPVQEFLLSGHVRVRYKEKPIQNQAQSVDEYTVQFTPLNPDDDFRPGLKDTKL
 LKTLAIGDTITSQELLAQAQSILNKNHPGYTIYERDSSIIVTHDNDIFRTILPMDQEF
 TYRVKNREQAYRINKKSGLNEEINNTDLISEKYYVLKKGEKPYDPFDRSHLKLFTIK
 YVDVTNELLKSEQLLTASERNLDFRDLYDPRDKAKLLYNNLDAFGIMDYTLTGKVE
 25 DNHDDTNRIITVYMGKRPEGENASYHLAYDKDRYTEEEREVYSYLRYTGTPIPDNPNDK
 DK (SEQ ID NO:4)

Functional activity of recombinant SKs

To compare the function of SK, rSK and rSK Δ 14, the
 rate of plasminogen activation by these proteins was
 30 examined at 21°C. nSK rapidly activated plasminogen with
 a minimal lag phase, i.e., less than 50 sec. (see Fig.
 2). However, when expressed as a fusion protein, rSK
 showed a lag phase in plasminogen activation of

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approximately 150 sec. (see Fig. 2). When expressed as a fusion protein lacking the amino terminal 13 amino acids, rSK Δ 14 also showed a marked delay in time to activation as approximately 250 sec. (see Fig. 2). The lag phase
5 refers to the time required for the reaction to the exponential phase of activity, e.g, full catalytic activity.

Plasmin cleavage products

Since nSK is known to be cleaved by plasmin after
10 formation of the SK-PAC, the rate of cleavage of rSK and rSK Δ 14 was examined after various times of incubation with Glu-plasminogen. In these experiments, SK was mixed with an excess of plasminogen for various amounts of time and the resulting cleavage of SK was determined by
15 immunoblotting with monoclonal anti-SK antibodies. nSK was found to be rapidly degraded by plasmin within 30 secs to four lower molecular weight species, predominantly a ~36 kDa fragment (see Figs. 3 and 7). In contrast, the degradation of rSK was slower, yielding a
20 fragment of 47 kDa (identical in size to nSK), first appearing at 1 min. A pattern of smaller SK fragments similar to that observed with nSK developed thereafter. After 5 min., a ~36 kDa SK fragment similar to that seen after nSK cleavage was found to be the major remnant from
25 rSK (see Figs. 4 and 7). Other lower molecular weight SK fragments, e.g., ~28 kDa, were also evident as cleavage products of nSK, and at later time points, of rSK. Plasmin cleavage products of rSK Δ 14 are shown in Fig. 5.

Amino-terminal deletion of SK

30 The amino terminal 13 residues of SK are highly conserved among the SKs produced by different groups of streptococci. In addition, this region constitutes a major epitope for both murine and human antibodies

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against SK. Removal of the amino-terminal 13 amino acids from nSK resulted in a further increase in the lag phase of plasminogen activation by rSK Δ 14, as compared to rSK. This lag phase was marked at 21°C, but shortened significantly when the temperature was raised to 37°C. Active site titration experiments indicate that removal of the amino terminus further delays the generation of the active site in the rSK Δ 14.

Advantages of amino-terminally modified SK

At 37°C, and *in vivo*, nSK rapidly forms an active site with plasminogen. The kinetics of this activation has been regarded as suboptimal for therapy because plasmin is rapidly activated in one large burst *in vivo*. To overcome the explosive activation of plasminogen, an acylated SK-PAC (APSAC) made from SK and purified human plasminogen has been created *in vitro* (Ferres, 1987, Drugs 33 (Suppl. 3) 33). This approach permits APSAC to be given as a single bolus *in vivo* because continuous deacylation of the active site proceeds with a half-life of 40 mins (Staniforth et al., 1983, Eur. J. Clin. Pharmacol. 24:751). A limitation of this approach is that the rate of appearance of the active SK-PAC is determined by the rate of deacylation and can not be otherwise modulated.

In contrast, recombinant modification of the amino terminus of SK, either by expression as a fusion protein, or by deletion of the amino terminus, can predictably alter the rate of active site generation. For example, the extent to which the rate of degradation is reduced compared to nSK is directly proportional to the number of deleted amino-terminal amino acids (up to 13 amino acids). Other advantages of the SK-derived compounds of the invention include a short half-life: 2-4 min.; safety: the compounds of the invention are not made from

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human blood products; and cost-effectiveness: the compounds of the invention are recombinantly produced. The activity of the compounds is timed-released, therefore they can be administered in a single dose. The
5 time required to achieve SK activity may also be modified depending on the number of amino-terminal amino acids removed from the nSK, i.e., length of time required is directly proportional to the number of amino acids deleted. In this manner, the timed-release activity of
10 SK can be customized to suit the specific clinical application or patient to be treated. Thus, the compounds of the invention are improved clinical reagents because, using modified rSKs, an active SK-PAC can be generated at a rate consistent with best thrombolytic
15 results.

EXAMPLE 2: Site-directed streptokinase mutants resist cleavage and degradation by plasmin

To examine the effects of cleavage on the activity of SK, site-directed mutations of R or L to A at putative
20 plasmin or trypsin cleavage sites in the amino and carboxy terminus of SK were generated. The cleavage rate of these recombinant SKs were then examined. The catalytic function of rSKs with these specific mutations was also evaluated.

25 SK cloning and mutation by overlap extension

The SK gene was cloned from Group C *Streptococcus equisimilis* as described above. A series of mutations was performed in the amino terminus of SK to replace R or K residues with an A residue at putative plasmin cleavage
30 sites. In addition, a single K to A mutation was constructed for K386 in the carboxy terminus of SK. PCR primers were used to produce site-directed mutations by the overlap extension method. For example, using nSK in

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the pMAL vector as a template, PCR was performed using a primer corresponding to the mal E sequence of the pMALc vector and the SK 10 AS primer. At the same time the SK 10 S primer was used in a PCR reaction with a SK 36 AS primer. The PCR products were purified on a low-melt agarose gel and used in an overlap PCR reaction. The overlapped product was then further amplified using the mal E primer and the SK 36 AS primer. In a similar fashion, the primers were used to construct mutations at the 45 and 51 position. The final overlap construct was between the 5' overlapped mutated SK segment containing the mutations at SK 10, 36, 45, and 51 and the segment from 51 to 127. This overlapped fragment was then ligated into the pMALc nSK, replacing the wild type sequence, between restriction sites for *KpnI* and *AflIII*. The SK 59 mutation was separately constructed and used to replace the wild type sequence between *AflIII* and *MunI*. The mutation at residue 386 was similarly constructed and ligated into SK using a *HindIII* site. The mutated pMALcSKs were sequenced to verify the desired mutations.

Table 5. Primers for Mutation by Overlap Extension

	<u>Primer</u> <u>Restriction Site</u>	<u>Mutation</u> <u>Site</u>	<u>Primer Sequence</u>	
5	SK 10 S	R->A	5'-GCTGCTAGACGCGCCATCTGTCAAC (SEQ ID NO:5)	HhaI
	SK 10 AS		5'-TGGCGCGTCTAGCAGCCACTCAG (SEQ ID NO:6)	
	SK 36 S	K->A	5'-CAAGACATTAGTCTGGCCTTTTTTGAAATCG (SEQ ID NO:7)	HaeIII
10	SK 36 AS		5'-GGCCAGACTAATGTCTTGATTTC (SEQ ID NO:8)	
	SK 45 S	R->A	5'-CGATCTAACATCGGCGCCTGCTCATGG (SEQ ID NO:9)	NarI
15	SK 45 AS		5'-CGCCGATGTTAGATCGATTTC (SEQ ID NO:10)	
	SK 51 S	K->A	5'-GCTCATGGAGGCGCCACAGAGGGC (SEQ ID NO:11)	NarI
	SK 51 AS		5'-GGCGCCTCCATGAGCAGGTC (SEQ ID NO:12)	
20	SK 59 S	K->A	5'-GCTTAAGTCCGGCCTCAAACCATTTGC (SEQ ID NO:13)	HaeIII
	SK 59 AS		5'-TGAGGCCGGAAGCTTAAGCCTTGCTC (SEQ ID NO:14)	
25	SK 386S	K->A	5'-GCCGATCGATATACCGAAGAAGAACGAG (SEQ ID NO:15)	ClaI
			5'-TATCGATCGGCATCATAGGCTAAATGATAGC (SEQ ID NO:16)	

Plasmin-resistant SK site mutants

The following plasmin cleavage sites can be

30 mutated: R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A, K61A, K147A, K333, R232A, K257A, K298A, K309A, R234A, R363A, K386A, K372A, R388A, R394A, and R401A. Single mutants K59A, K386A, were made, and the multiple mutant containing R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, and K59A (rSKmut5) was studied further.

35 Purification of rSK5mut is shown in Fig. 1. Multiple mutant rSK6mut is identical to rSK5mut with the addition of another mutation at a carboxy-terminal potential plasmin cleavage site. This mutant contains the

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following mutations: R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A and k386A.

The plasmin-resistant SK site mutants produce catalytically-active plasmin cleavage products which are
5 larger than those generated from nSK (see Figs. 6 and 7). The rate of degradation of rSK5mut is also slower than that of nSK (see Figs. 6 and 7).

Kinetic studies were performed to examine the catalytic activity of the site mutants. Table 6 shows
10 the results from kinetic studies for rSK5mut and Glu-plasminogen. These data show that mutation of plasmin cleavage sites significantly decreases the K_m of SK amidolytic activity leading to greater catalytic efficiency, and thus, greater therapeutic efficacy.

15 Table 6: Kinetic Parameters for recombinant SKs and
Glu-Plasminogen

		K_m (μM)	K_{cat} (S^{-1})	k_{cat}/K_m ($\mu M^{-1}S^{-1}$)
	nSK	248	56	0.226
20	rSK	152	42	0.276
	rSK Δ 14	533	51	0.096
	rSK5mut	77	52	0.675

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Table 7: rSK5mut

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Table 8: rSK6mut

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Table 9: DNA sequence of SK from *S. equisimilus* H46A

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SK coding sequence spans nucleotides 819-2138; coding
 5 sequence of mature peptide spans nucleotides 897-2138.

Table 10: DNA sequence of MBP*

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* sequence represents cDNA sequence of MBP up to the restriction site in the polylinker where cDNA encoding SK was inserted.

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 Val Lys Asn Arg Glu Gln Ala Tyr Arg Ile Asn Lys Lys Ser Gly Leu
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 Asn Glu Glu Ile Asn Asn Thr Asp Leu Ile Ser Glu Lys Tyr Tyr Val
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 Leu Lys Lys Gly Glu Lys Pro Tyr Asp Pro Phe Asp Arg Ser His Leu
 660 665 670

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Lys Leu Phe Thr Ile Lys Tyr Val Asp Val Asp Thr Asn Glu Leu Leu
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 Val Ser Val Ala Gly Thr Val Glu Gly Thr Asn Gln Asp Ile Ser Leu
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 Lys Phe Phe Glu Ile Asp Leu Thr Ser Arg Pro Ala His Gly Gly Lys
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 Gly Ala Met Ser His Lys Leu Glu Lys Ala Asp Leu Leu Lys Ala Ile
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 995 1000 1005

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Asp Ile Phe Arg Thr Ile Leu Pro Met Asp Gln Glu Phe Thr Tyr Arg
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 Pro Glu Gly Glu Asn Ala Ser Tyr His Leu Ala Tyr Asp Lys Asp Arg
 1155 1160 1165
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 Thr Pro Ile Pro Asp Asn Pro Asn Asp Lys
 1185 1190

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1181 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: not relevant
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

Met Lys Thr Glu Glu Gly Lys Leu Val Ile Trp Ile Asn Gly Asp Lys
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 35 40 45
 Pro Gln Val Ala Ala Thr Gly Asp Gly Pro Asp Ile Ile Phe Trp Ala
 50 55 60

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His Asp Arg Phe Gly Gly Tyr Ala Gln Ser Gly Leu Leu Ala Glu Ile
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 Thr Pro Asp Lys Ala Phe Gln Asp Lys Leu Tyr Pro Phe Thr Trp Asp
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 Ala Val Arg Tyr Asn Gly Lys Leu Ile Ala Tyr Pro Ile Ala Val Glu
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 Lys Ser Ala Leu Met Phe Asn Leu Gln Glu Pro Tyr Phe Thr Trp Pro
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 Tyr Asp Ile Lys Asp Val Gly Val Asp Asn Ala Gly Ala Lys Ala Gly
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 Val Asn Tyr Gly Val Thr Val Leu Pro Thr Phe Lys Gly Gln Pro Ser
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 Lys Pro Phe Val Gly Val Leu Ser Ala Gly Ile Asn Ala Ala Ser Pro
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 385 390 395 400

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Ile Ser Leu Lys Phe Phe Glu Ile Asp Leu Thr Ser Arg Pro Ala His
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 Thr Tyr Arg Val Lys Asn Arg Glu Gln Ala Tyr Arg Ile Asn Lys Lys
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 Ser His Leu Lys Leu Phe Thr Ile Lys Tyr Val Asp Val Asp Thr Asn
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 Asp Phe Arg Asp Leu Tyr Asp Pro Arg Asp Lys Ala Lys Leu Leu Tyr
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 725 730 735

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 Tyr Phe Glu Val Ile Asp Phe Ala Ser Asp Ala Thr Ile Thr Asp Arg
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 Asn Gly Lys Val Tyr Phe Ala Asp Lys Asp Gly Ser Val Thr Leu Pro
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 Thr Gln Pro Val Gln Glu Phe Leu Leu Ser Gly His Val Arg Val Arg
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 Tyr Thr Val Gln Phe Thr Pro Leu Asn Pro Asp Asp Asp Phe Arg Pro
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 Gly Leu Lys Asp Thr Lys Leu Leu Lys Thr Leu Ala Ile Gly Asp Thr
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 Ser His Leu Lys Leu Phe Thr Ile Lys Tyr Val Asp Val Asp Thr Asn
 1060 1065 1070

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Glu Leu Leu Lys Ser Glu Gln Leu Leu Thr Ala Ser Glu Arg Asn Leu
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 Tyr Thr Gly Thr Pro Ile Pro Asp Asn Pro Asn Asp Lys
 1170 1175 1180

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 813 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: not relevant
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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 Ile Ser Leu Lys Phe Phe Glu Ile Asp Leu Thr Ser Arg Pro Ala His
 35 40 45
 Gly Gly Lys Thr Glu Gln Gly Leu Ser Pro Lys Ser Lys Pro Phe Ala
 50 55 60
 Thr Asp Ser Gly Ala Met Ser His Lys Leu Glu Lys Ala Asp Leu Leu
 65 70 75 80
 Lys Ala Ile Gln Glu Gln Leu Ile Ala Asn Val His Ser Asn Asp Asp
 85 90 95
 Tyr Phe Glu Val Ile Asp Phe Ala Ser Asp Ala Thr Ile Thr Asp Arg
 100 105 110
 Asn Gly Lys Val Tyr Phe Ala Asp Lys Asp Gly Ser Val Thr Leu Pro
 115 120 125
 Thr Gln Pro Val Gln Glu Phe Leu Leu Ser Gly His Val Arg Val Arg
 130 135 140

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Tyr Lys Glu Lys Pro Ile Gln Asn Gln Ala Lys Ser Val Asp Val Glu
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 Tyr Thr Val Gln Phe Thr Pro Leu Asn Pro Asp Asp Asp Phe Arg Pro
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 Asn His Pro Gly Tyr Thr Ile Tyr Glu Arg Asp Ser Ser Ile Val Thr
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 His Asp Asn Asp Ile Phe Arg Thr Ile Leu Pro Met Asp Gln Glu Phe
 225 230 235 240
 Thr Tyr Arg Val Lys Asn Arg Glu Gln Ala Tyr Arg Ile Asn Lys Lys
 245 250 255
 Ser Gly Leu Asn Glu Glu Ile Asn Asn Thr Asp Leu Ile Ser Glu Lys
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 Tyr Tyr Val Leu Lys Lys Gly Glu Lys Pro Tyr Asp Pro Phe Asp Arg
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 Thr Asp Ser Gly Ala Met Ser His Lys Leu Glu Lys Ala Asp Leu Leu
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Lys Ala Ile Gln Glu Gln Leu Ile Ala Asn Val His Ser Asn Asp Asp
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 His Asp Asn Asp Ile Phe Arg Thr Ile Leu Pro Met Asp Gln Glu Phe
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 Thr Tyr Arg Val Lys Asn Arg Glu Gln Ala Tyr Arg Ile Asn Lys Lys
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 Ser Gly Leu Asn Glu Glu Ile Asn Asn Thr Asp Leu Ile Ser Glu Lys
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 Val Glu Asp Asn His Asp Asp Thr Asn Arg Ile Ile Thr Val Tyr Met
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 Lys Asp Arg Tyr Thr Glu Glu Glu Arg Glu Val Tyr Ser Tyr Leu Arg
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 Tyr Thr Gly Thr Pro Ile Pro Asp Asn Pro Asn Asp Lys
 805 810

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 800 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: not relevant
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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Pro Ala His Gly Gly Lys Thr Glu Gln Gly Leu Ser Pro Lys Ser Lys
35          40          45
Pro Phe Ala Thr Asp Ser Gly Ala Met Ser His Lys Leu Glu Lys Ala
50          55          60
Asp Leu Leu Lys Ala Ile Gln Glu Gln Leu Ile Ala Asn Val His Ser
65          70          75          80
Asn Asp Asp Tyr Phe Glu Val Ile Asp Phe Ala Ser Asp Ala Thr Ile
85          90          95
Thr Asp Arg Asn Gly Lys Val Tyr Phe Ala Asp Lys Asp Gly Ser Val
100         105         110
Thr Leu Pro Thr Gln Pro Val Gln Glu Phe Leu Leu Ser Gly His Val
115         120         125
Arg Val Arg Tyr Lys Glu Lys Pro Ile Gln Asn Gln Ala Lys Ser Val
130         135         140
Asp Val Glu Tyr Thr Val Gln Phe Thr Pro Leu Asn Pro Asp Asp Asp
145         150         155         160
Phe Arg Pro Gly Leu Lys Asp Thr Lys Leu Leu Lys Thr Leu Ala Ile
165         170         175
Gly Asp Thr Ile Thr Ser Gln Glu Leu Leu Ala Gln Ala Gln Ser Ile
180         185         190
Leu Asn Lys Asn His Pro Gly Tyr Thr Ile Tyr Glu Arg Asp Ser Ser
195         200         205
Ile Val Thr His Asp Asn Asp Ile Phe Arg Thr Ile Leu Pro Met Asp
210         215         220
Gln Glu Phe Thr Tyr Arg Val Lys Asn Arg Glu Gln Ala Tyr Arg Ile
225         230         235         240
Asn Lys Lys Ser Gly Leu Asn Glu Glu Ile Asn Asn Thr Asp Leu Ile
245         250         255

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Ser Glu Lys Tyr Tyr Val Leu Lys Lys Gly Glu Lys Pro Tyr Asp Pro
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 Phe Asp Arg Ser His Leu Lys Leu Phe Thr Ile Lys Tyr Val Asp Val
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 Asp Thr Asn Glu Leu Leu Lys Ser Glu Gln Leu Leu Thr Ala Ser Glu
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 Arg Asn Leu Asp Phe Arg Asp Leu Tyr Asp Pro Arg Asp Lys Ala Lys
 305 310 315 320
 Leu Leu Tyr Asn Asn Leu Asp Ala Phe Gly Ile Met Asp Tyr Thr Leu
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 Thr Gly Lys Val Glu Asp Asn His Asp Asp Thr Asn Arg Ile Ile Thr
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 Val Tyr Met Gly Lys Arg Pro Glu Gly Glu Asn Ala Ser Tyr His Leu
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 Ala Tyr Asp Lys Asp Arg Tyr Thr Glu Glu Glu Arg Glu Val Tyr Ser
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 385 390 395 400
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 Pro Ala His Gly Gly Lys Thr Glu Gln Gly Leu Ser Pro Lys Ser Lys
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 530 535 540
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 545 550 555 560
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 Gly Asp Thr Ile Thr Ser Gln Glu Leu Leu Ala Gln Ala Gln Ser Ile
 580 585 590

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 25 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

GCTGCTAGAC GCGCCATCTG TCAAC

.25

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 23 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

TGGCGCGTCT AGCAGCCACT CAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 31 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

CAAGACATTA GTCTGGCCTT TTTTGAAATC G

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 23 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

GGCCAGACTA ATGTCTTGAT TCG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 27 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

CGATCTAACA TCGGCGCCTG CTCATGG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

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CGATCTAACA TCGGCGCCTG CTCATGG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 21 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

CGCCGATGTT AGATCGATTT C

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 24 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

GCTCATGGAG GCGCCACAGA GGGC

24

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 20 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

GGCGCCTCCA TGAGCAGGTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 28 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

GCTTAAGTCC GGCCTCAAAA CCATTTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 24 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

TGAGGCCGGA CTTAAGCCTT GCTC

24

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 28 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (A) LENGTH: 1194 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: not relevant

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: not relevant
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 2566 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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Other embodiments are within the following claims:

What is claimed is:

1. A compound comprising (a) a plasminogen-binding fragment of streptokinase and (b) a blocking group at the amino-terminus of said fragment, wherein
 - (i) said compound is catalytically active; and
 - (ii) the rate of *in vitro* degradation of said compound in the presence of human plasminogen is at least 2 times slower compared to said rate of native streptokinase, wherein said rate is measured by the appearance of plasmin cleavage products as detected by immunoblotting using anti-streptokinase antibodies.
2. The compound of claim 1, wherein said compound comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4.
3. The compound of claim 1, wherein said blocking group is a heterologous peptide.
4. The compound of claim 3, wherein said heterologous peptide comprises at least one heterologous amino acid.
5. The compound of claim 4, wherein said heterologous peptide is maltose binding protein.
6. A DNA comprising a coding sequence encoding the compound of claim 3.
7. A method of dissolving blood clots in a mammal, comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of the compound of claim 1.

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8. A plasminogen-binding fragment of streptokinase, wherein

(a) said fragment lacks between 1 and 24 amino-terminal amino acids;

(b) said fragment is catalytically active; and

(c) the rate of *in vitro* degradation of said fragment in the presence of human plasminogen is at least 2 times slower compared to said rate of native streptokinase, wherein said rate is measured by the appearance of plasmin cleavage products as detected by immunoblotting using anti-streptokinase antibodies.

9. The fragment of claim 8, wherein said fragment comprises at least one mutation in a potential plasmin cleavage site, wherein said mutation renders said cleavage site resistant to cleavage by plasmin.

10. The fragment of claim 8, wherein said fragment consists of the amino acid sequence of (SEQ ID NO:4).

11. A DNA comprising a coding sequence encoding the fragment of claim 10.

12. A polypeptide comprising a plasminogen-binding fragment of streptokinase, wherein

(a) said fragment is catalytically active; and

(c) the rate of *in vitro* degradation of said polypeptide is at least two times slower compared to said rate of native streptokinase, wherein said rate is measured by the appearance of plasmin cleavage products as detected by immunoblotting using anti-streptokinase antibodies.

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13. The polypeptide of claim 12, wherein said polypeptide comprises at least one mutation in a potential plasmin cleavage site, wherein said mutation renders said cleavage site resistant to cleavage by plasmin.

14. The polypeptide of claim 13, wherein said mutation is selected from the group consisting of R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A, K61A, K147A, K333, R232A, K257A, K298A, K309A, R234A, R363A, K386A, K372A, R388A, R394A, and R401A.

15. The polypeptide of claim 14, wherein said polypeptide comprises R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A and K59A (SEQ ID NO:17).

16. The polypeptide of claim 14, wherein said polypeptide comprises R10A, K36A, R45A, K51A, K59A and K386A (SEQ ID NO:18).

17. A DNA comprising a coding sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 14.

18. A DNA comprising a coding sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 15.

19. A method of dissolving blood clots in a mammal, comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of the polypeptide of claim 15.

Purified rSK proteins

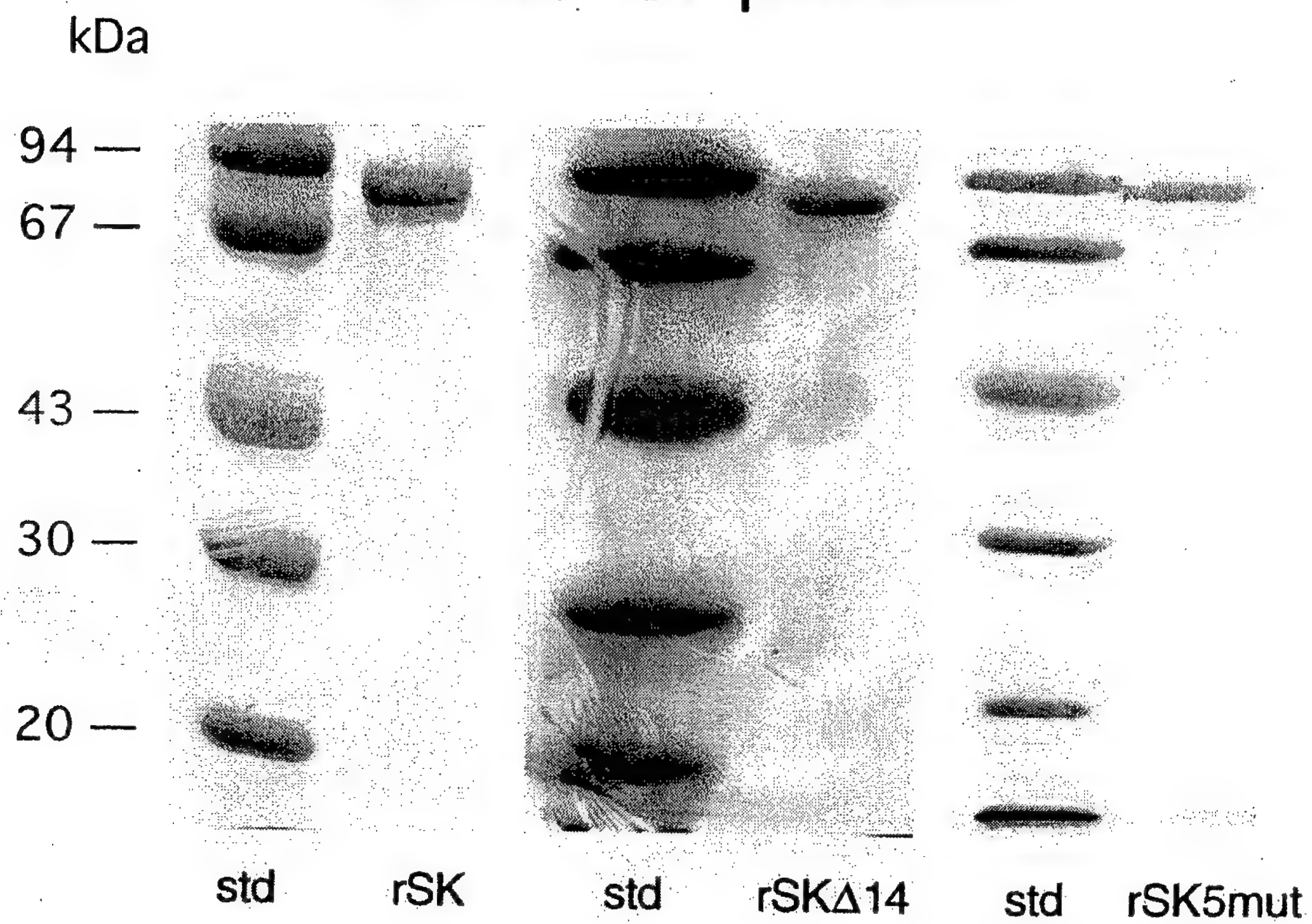


FIG. 1

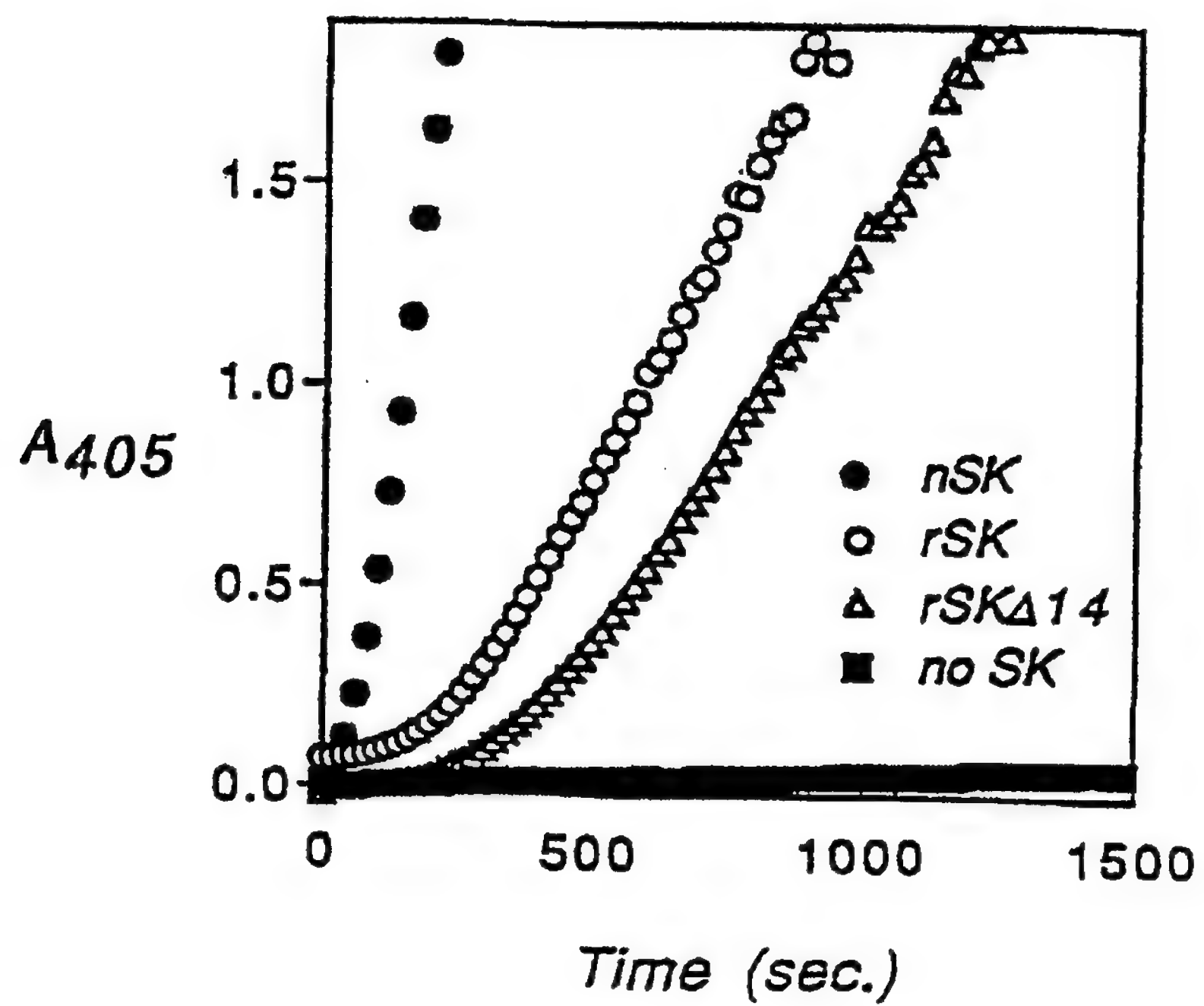


FIG. 2

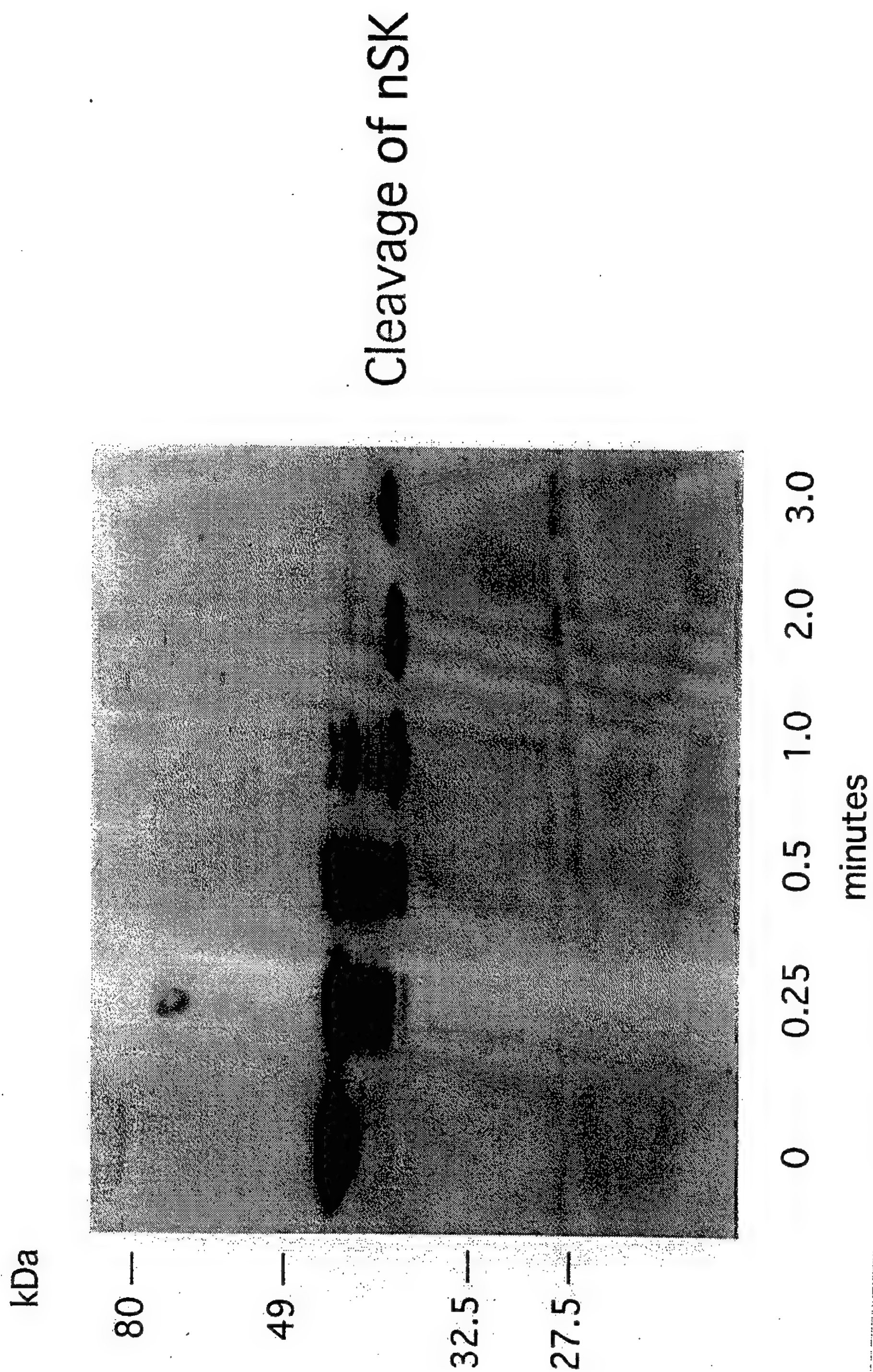


FIG. 3

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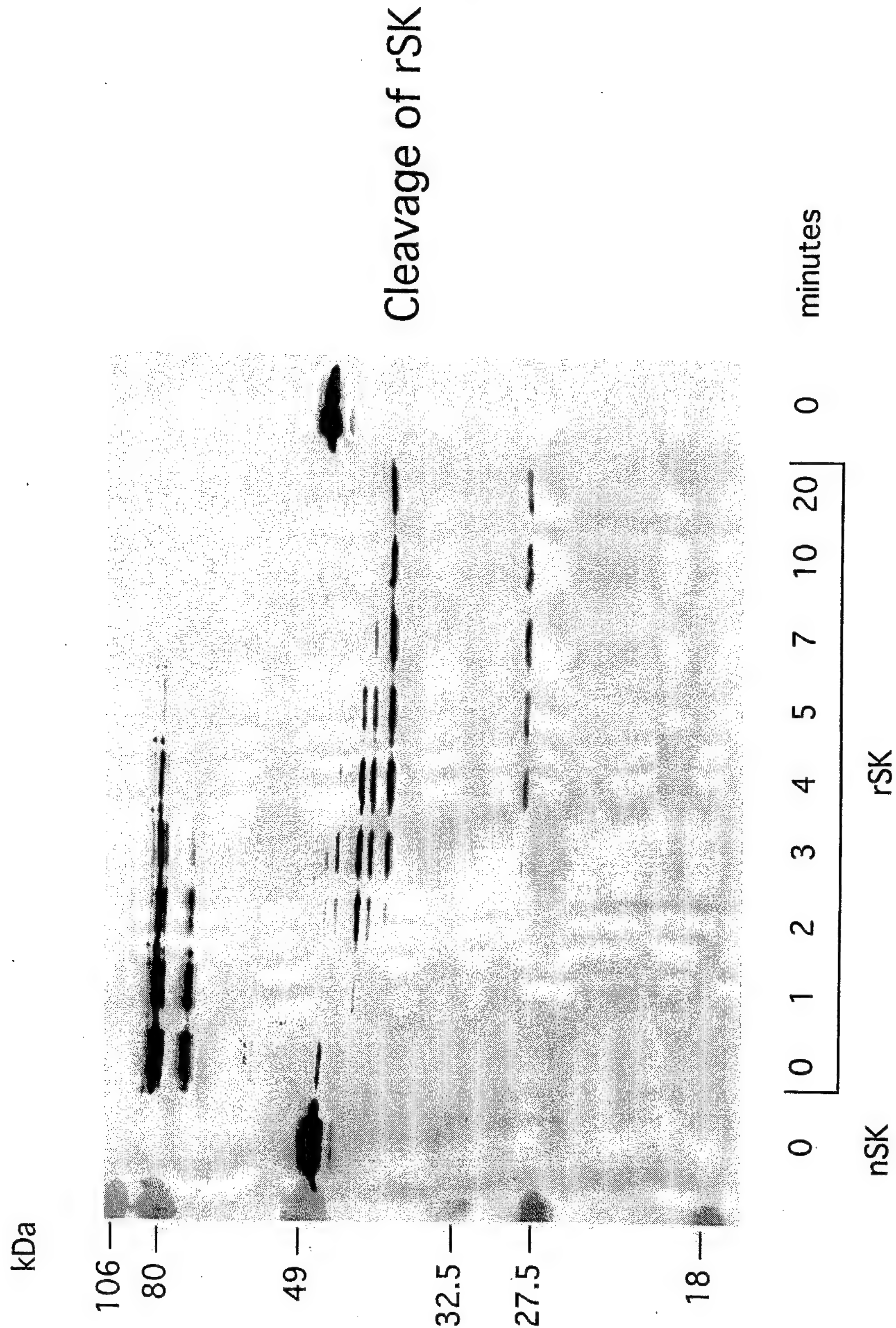
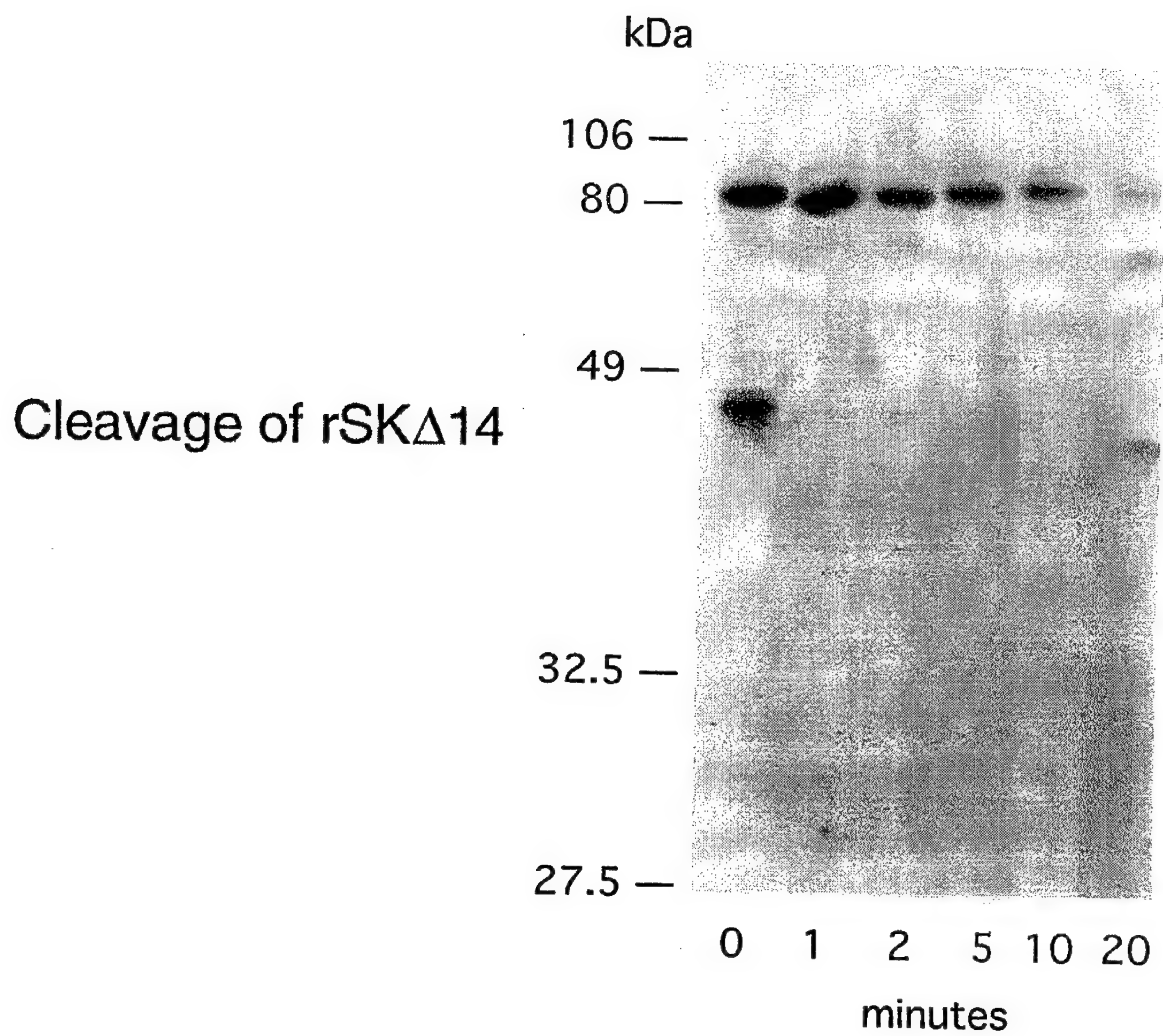


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**FIG. 5**

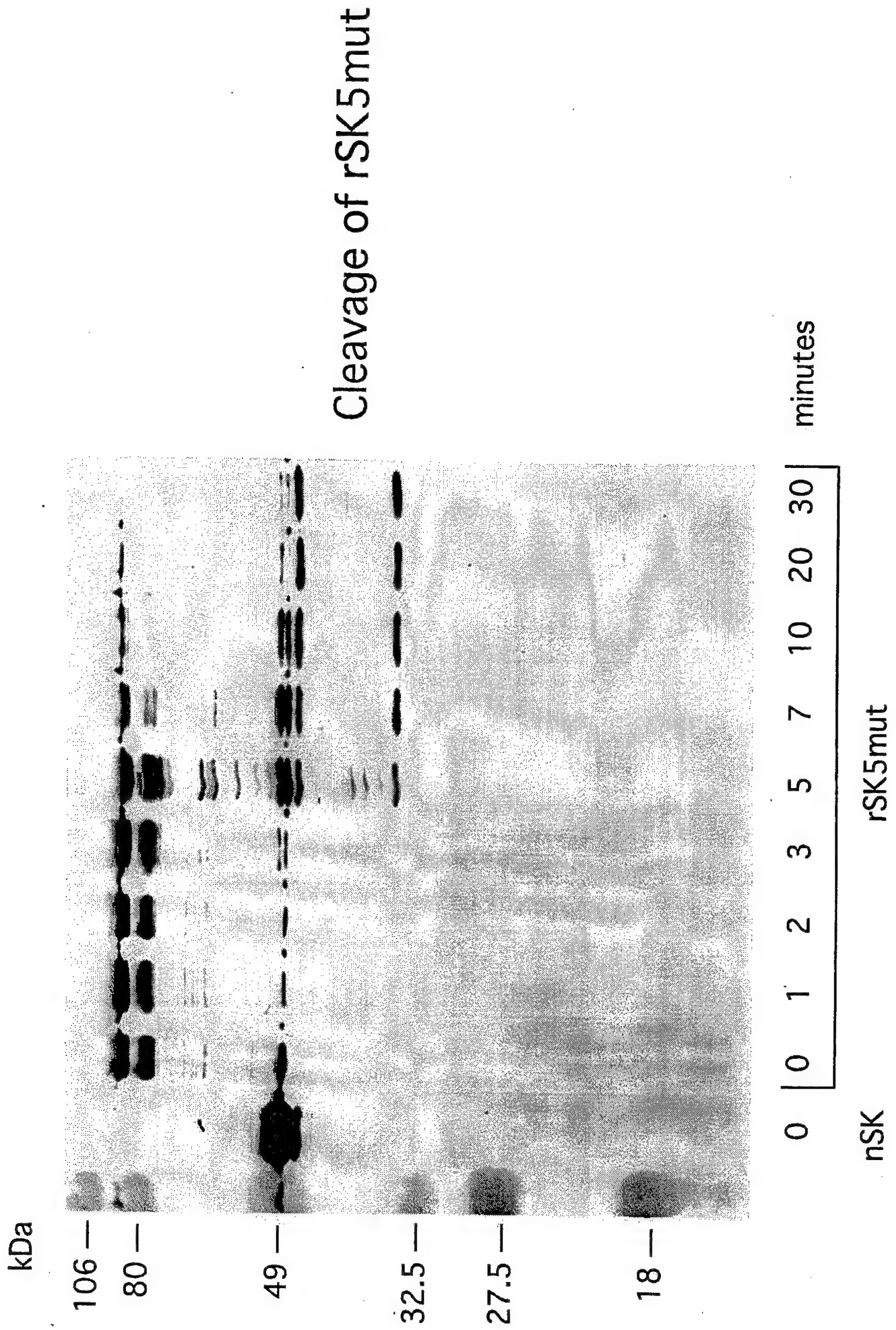


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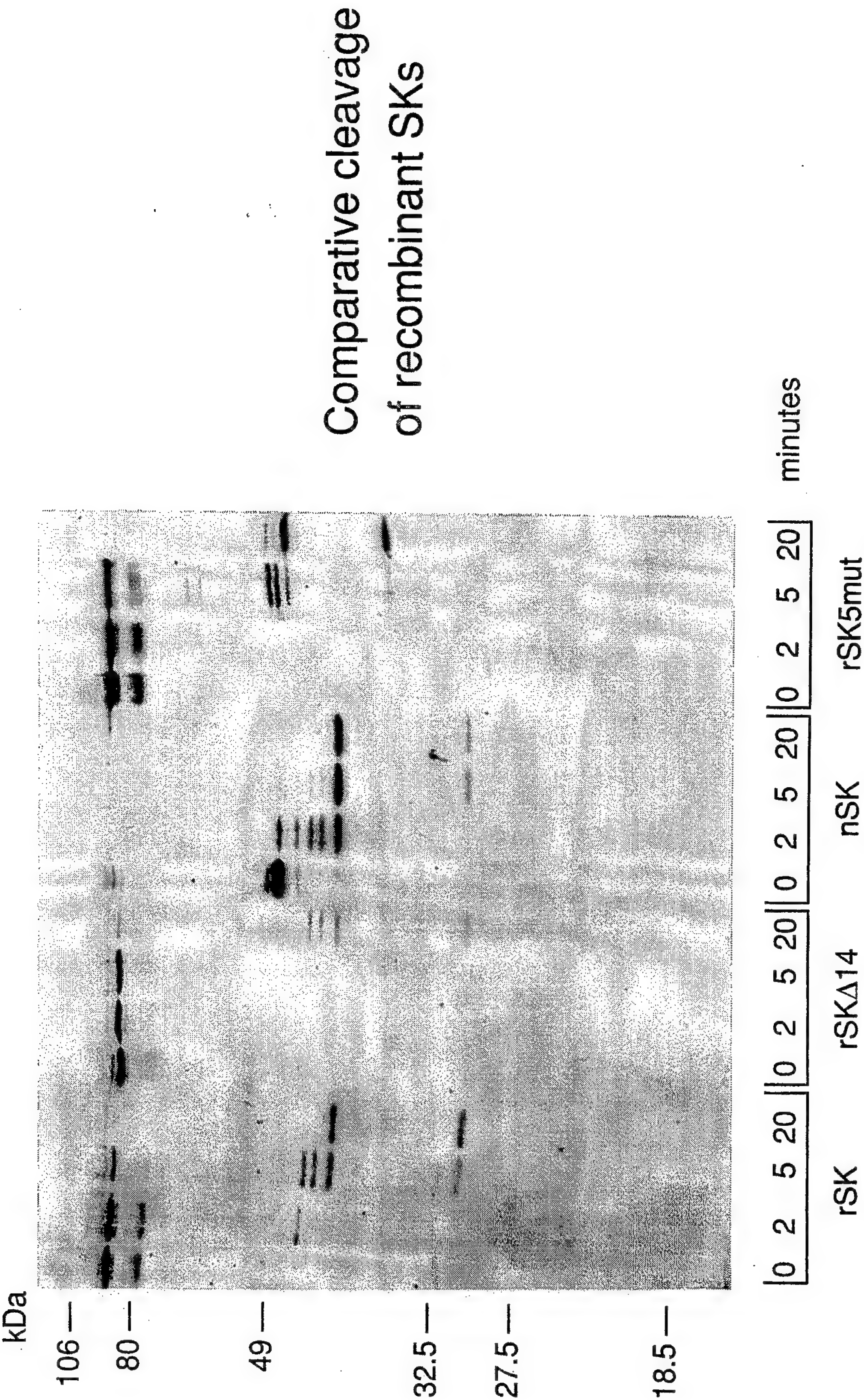


FIG. 7

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